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SUBJ: FOREIGN MINISTER OUTLINES NATION' S FOREIGN POLICY

OBJECTIVES

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1. SUMMARY: FOREIGN MINISTER MARIO GIBSON BARBOZA OUTLINED ON APRIL 23 BRAZIL' S MAIN FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES. THE CHANCELLOR DEVOTED LARGE PORTION OF HIS REMARKS TO BRAZIL' S DESIRE FOR CLOSE RELATIONS WITH ITS LATIN SISTERS, STATING BRAZIL SOUGHT A NEW " GOOD NEIGHBOR" POLICY OF " GIVING LIFE" TO COMMON FRONTIERS THROUGH DEVELOPMENT OF THESE AREAS. HE POINTED OUT BRAZIL ALSO EXPANDING ITS HORIZONS AND HAD STRENGTHENED RELATIONS

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WITH U. S., CANADA, EUROPE, ETC. HOWEVER, BRAZIL WAS IN FOREFRONT OF LDC' S, ESPECIALLY IN DEFENSE OF " ECONOMIC COLLECTIVE SECURITY." HE CONCLUDED BY REITERATING BRAZIL WOULD INEVITABLY PLAY AN INCREASINGLY MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

2. SPEAKING BEFORE PRESIDENT MEDICI AND OTHER RANKING AUTHORITIES, ON APRIL 23 FOREIGN MINISTER MARIO GIBSON BARBOZA OUTLINED BRAZIL' S FOREIGN POLICY OBJECTIVES TO INCOMING CLASS OF BRAZILIAN DIPLOMATS. REVIEWING PRESIDENT MEDICI' S CHARGE THREE YEARS AGO TO BRAZILIAN DIPLOMACY THAT IT ( A) SERVE BRAZILIAN DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONAL INTEGRATION; ( B) PREVENT CRYSTALLIZATION OF WORLD POWER BLOCS; ( C) MAINTAIN BRAZIL' S IDENTITY WITH THE DEVELOPING NATIONS, THE CHANCELLOR STATED THAT THE NATION' S DIPLOMATS HAD SOUGHT TO CARRY OUT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES.

3. A LARGE SEGMENT OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER' S REMARKS WAS DEVOTED TO BRAZIL' S RELATIONS WITH THE REST OF LATIN AMERICA. ON THE EVE OF PARAGUAYAN PRESIDENT STROESSNER' S VISIT TO BRAZIL, GIBSON BARBOZA EMPHASIZED ANEW BRAZIL' S PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING RELATIONS WITH HER NEIGHBORS AND OF CONTRIBUTING TO THEIR DEVELOPMENT. HE CITED PRESIDENT MEDICI' S AND HIS OWN MEETINGS WITH MANY OF THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN THE HEMISPHERE AS EXAMPLES OF BRAZIL' S DIALOGUE WITH HER LATIN SISTERS. HE ALSO CONFIRMED HE WOULD VISIT VENEZUELA, COLOMBIA, PERU, ECUADOR AND BOLIVIA IN THE NEAR FUTURE. CALLING FOR A NEW TYPE OF " GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY" THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMON FRONTIER AREAS, THE CHANCELLOR POINTED TO THE HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT AT ITAIPU SOON TO BE UNDERTAKEN JOINTLY BY BRAZIL AND PARAGUAY AS THE TYPE OF MEANINGFUL COOPERATION RESULTING FROM BRAZIL' S " GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY."

4. GIBSON BARBOZA LIKEWISE REVIEWED BRAZIL' S OUTWARD LOOKING FOREIGN POLICY WHICH HAD TAKEN HIM TO AFRICA. HE BRIEFLY MENTIONED IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH THE U. S., CANADA AND EUROPE. HOWEVER, THE CHANCELLOR STRESSED ANEW BRAZIL' S OVERWHELMING CONCERN AND IDENTITY WITH THE DEVELOPING NATIONS AND BRAZIL' S LEADERSHIP ROLE IN DEFENDING THE INTERESTS OF THE LDC' S. HE REITERATED BRAZIL' S DEMAND FOR " COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SECURITY" AND NOTED BRAZIL' S ACTIVITIES IN NUMEROUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THIS REGARD. A BRIEF PASSAGE WAS ALSO DEVOTED TO BRAZIL' S CONTINUED EFFORTS AT ACHIEVING PEACE AND ITS READINESS TO ACCEPT THE ROLE OF INTERMEDIARY IF ASKED BY INTERESTED PARTIES. FOR THIS REASON, SAID GIBSON BARBOZA, HE HAD GONE TO THE MIDDLE EAST AND PERHAPS HIS EFFORT WILL HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO A SOLUTION OF THAT

CONFLICT.

5. IN CONCLUDING, THE FOREIGN MINISTER PROMISED THAT AS BRAZIL DEVELOPED INTERNALLY, HER STRENGTH INEVITABLY WOULD BE TRANSLATED INTO A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN WORLD AFFAIRS.

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6. COMMENT: GIBSON BARBOZA'S SPEECH SHOWS AGAIN THE GOB'S GENUINE CONCERN AT BECOMING ALIENATED FROM SPANISH AMERICA, ESPECIALLY HER SOUTH AMERICAN NEIGHBORS, AS WELL AS HER DETERMINATION TO TAKE REMEDIAL ACTION. THE BRAZILIANS ARE GOING ALL OUT TO MAKE PRESIDENT STROESSNER'S VISIT A TOTAL SUCCESS. GIBSON BARBOZA IS AT HIS BEST WHEN INVOLVED IN PERSONAL DIPLOMACY, AS HE HAS PROVEN REPEATEDLY IN THE PAST. HOWEVER, IN SPITE OF BRAZIL'S PRIMARY CONCERN WITH ITS RELATIONS WITH THE COUNTRIES OF THIS HEMISPHERE, THE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS SERVED NOTICE THAT BRAZIL WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK A UNIVERSAL ROLE IN FOREIGN RELATIONS.  
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